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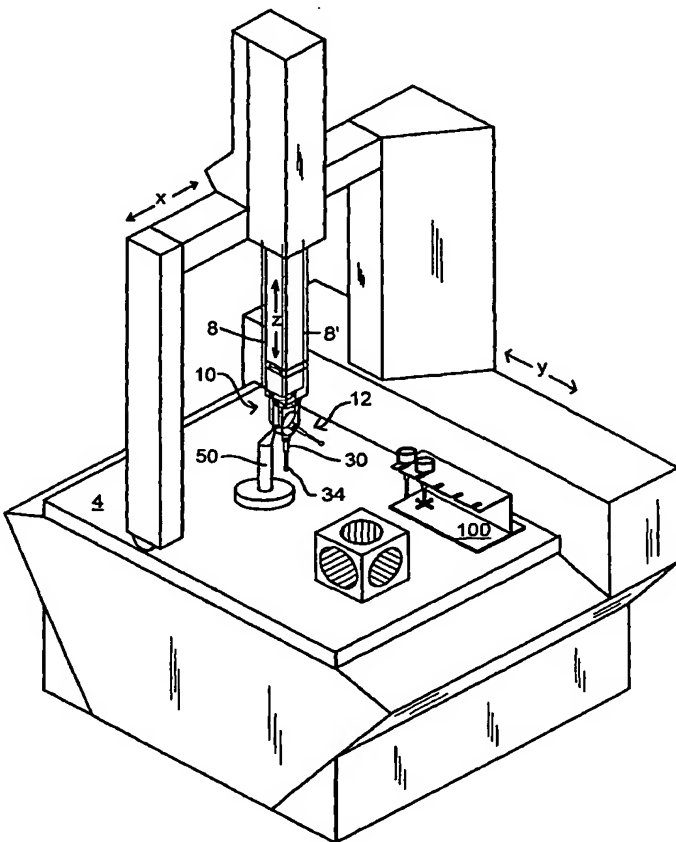
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surement probe (12) can be accomplished by engag-
ing a part of the stylus or probe with a fixed part (50)
and moving the probe in a spherical path centred at the
engagement. The engagement (50) is spaced from the
stylus tip (34) and avoids bending of the stylus during
re-orientation. The re-orientation can take place into a
plurality of e.g. repeatable rest positions by virtue of a
kinematic array (e.g. balls (122) and rollers (120) Fig
2).

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